

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION OF SCHOOL DISTRICT 89
HELD ON
June 10, 2010
906 Walton, Melrose Park, IL 60160**

1. **The Regular Session Meeting of the Board of Education for School District 89 Maywood-Melrose Park-Broadview will come to order at 6:18 p.m. on June 10, 2010.**
2. **Roll Call**
Present: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso
Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.
3. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**
4. **Recognitions - NONE**
5. **Interim Superintendent's Report**
 - A. Registration
 - B. Grants Update
 - C. Special Education Update – Community Health Fair
 - D. Retirement and Recognition Dinner Follow up
 - E. HR Update
 - F. FOIA Request

Interim Supt. Flanagan said the written Superintendent's Report is included in Board members' packets. The District has received one FOIA request recently.

Ms. Dixon, Director of Special Education, reported that more than 250 parents and children attended District 89's first Community Health Fair on May 22 at Garfield School. Representatives from many area medical organizations, including Loyola University Medical Center, participated. The fair was made possible by a grant.
6. **Presentation by PAEC Executive Director, Dr. Terry Smith, regarding mandates for RTI to be implemented for the 2010-11 School Year**

Dr. Smith gave a PowerPoint presentation, a copy of which is included in Board members' packets.
7. **Statement Regarding Public Comments**
 - If you intend to speak, please fill out completely a "Questions and Comments Form" and present it to the Superintendent's Executive Administrative Assistant at this time.
 - The Board will hear comments related to the agenda.
 - The Board will hear comments not related to the agenda, however, these comments may be forwarded to the Superintendent or to the school Principal for an individual response.
 - Please remain seated until you are called. Comments will be limited to three minutes.
8. **Acceptance of Comments or Questions from Audience**

Ms. Laura Castro, of 31 S. 19th, Maywood, said she is upset her children will be transferred from Melrose Park School to Irving School as a result of the boundary change. She has collected signatures of 250 residents who oppose the change.

Ms. Sonya Soto, of 20 S. 19th, Apt. 1A, Maywood, said she will have one child at Irving and another in 8th grade at Melrose Park next year. Melrose Park is closer to her home and more convenient.

Ms. Rosalina Gomez said the District did not provide parents sufficient notice of the boundary change. She will have a child at each school next year and asked what she would do in an emergency. **Mr. Andre Perez**, of 2 S. 19th Ave, Maywood, said he opposes the boundary change.

Mr. Sam Valtierrez said his union local is willing to install solar panels on District buildings for free labor, if it would help save money. He will provide more details later.

Ms. Marissa Villareal Alba, of 123 N. 22nd Ave., Maywood, said Melrose Park School's health clerk is part-time and is routinely sent off-campus to do vision and hearing screenings. Her son has asthma and needs an inhaler. However, the school office clerks are not authorized to give him the inhaler.

Interim Supt. Flanagan: The District has worked to ensure all health clerks are trained to do vision and hearing screenings. It has acquired its own equipment over the past four years. Going forward, Melrose Park School's health clerk will be full time and will not do mass screenings. Each school will do its own screening under the district nurses' guidance. Early childhood screening will be done by the nurses only.

Ms. Marina Johnson Brown said all six of her children have attended Melrose Park School. She'll have one in 8th grade and one in 5th grade next fall. The 5th grade daughter was sexually molested some time ago and would be attending Irving; the offender lives within 717 feet of the school. She will not send her daughter to Irving. **Pres. Urso** said the Board made the boundary change not just because of students crossing the tracks, but also because students were in classes housed in the basement which is unsafe. The basement has only one exit.

Ms. Johnson Brown noted there is currently a summer school program where students are housed in the basement at Melrose Park.

Board Member Neely said she voted against revising the school boundaries because children who lived closer to Melrose Park School would have to travel farther to school. She was concerned to hear that parents weren't notified until June 2 when the Board made the decision in April. She asked the Board to try to accommodate the 100 affected students for the 2010-11 school year. That way, she said, the Board could inform parents at the start of the year that it is exploring a boundary change. She also suggested the District look at all school boundaries.

Board Member Gustello agreed that the safety of students was important, but said she doesn't appreciate the grandstanding. The Board did discuss looking at all the boundaries of the schools because of overcrowding. She was sorry to learn parents weren't notified earlier. She said she was upset that summer school was taking place in the Melrose Park School basement. She hopes the Board can look at this issue and come up with a solution for the coming school year.

Pres. Urso said the decision was difficult. The Board was concerned that conditions in one school were so overcrowded that children had classrooms in the basement, while another school had plenty of space. Likewise, the tracks posed a major concern. The Board must be concerned with the needs of all students. **Board Member Neely** asked Interim Supt. Flanagan to let the Board know if, at the beginning and middle of the school year, any classrooms were in the basement at Melrose Park School.

Ms. Kay Sorenson asked why the District has not requested any reimbursement for bus transportation from the state for three years. **Interim Supt. Flanagan** said the District must follow the federal No Child Left Behind Act regulations. Thus, if a parent requests their child attend their school of "choice," the District is legally obligated to allow the child to attend that choice school, provided there is enough room. The District must then use federal Title 1 monies to transport the child to school, if transportation is needed. In using Title I monies for transportation, the District then is ineligible to receive state bus transportation funds.

Ms. Sorenson asked if the District will be reviewing the fact that some employees receive free health care. **Interim Supt. Flanagan** said yes. Ms. Sorenson also asked whether the Board will address the fact that Board member Diggs has been absent from meetings since April. **Pres. Urso** said he is recuperating and will return to the Board soon.

Ms. Sandie Sifuentes said she met Board Members Anguiano and Neely recently to hand over some questions. She wanted to know if her questions had been presented to the Board and what its response

was. **Pres. Urso** said the questions have been answered and will be posted on the web in English and Spanish.

Ms. Sifuentes asked if the villages have responded regarding their use of the TIF funds. **Interim Supt. Flanagan** said Broadview said it has not declared a surplus. **Ms. Sifuentes** asked if the village will take legal action against the villages that said they had no surplus. **Pres. Urso** said the villages use TIF funds to spur economic development which ultimately raises the tax base and helps all the local governmental bodies within the TIF District. However, for the schools to receive TIF funds the village needs to declare a surplus, she said, noting that litigation is expensive. There are oversight boards that ensure the villages' reporting of the use of TIF money is proper.

9. **Retire to Closed Session**

A motion was made by Anguiano, seconded by Gustello, that the Board retire into Closed Session at 8:10 p.m. for the purpose of:

- A. Student disciplinary cases, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(9);
- B. The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the district or legal counsel for the District, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee or against legal counsel for the District to determine its validity, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/02(c)(1), as amended by P.A. 93-0057;
- C. Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representatives, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2); and
- D. Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent, in which case the basis for the finding shall be recorded and entered into the minutes of the closed meeting, pursuant to 5 ILCS 120/02(c)(11).

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

10. **Board Reconvene to Regular Session**

A motion was made by Anguiano, seconded by Urso, to reconvene the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education at 9:45 p.m.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso
 0 Nays: None
 2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

11. **Approval of Minutes for the Regular Session of the Board of Education held on:**

- A. May 13, 2010

The motion was moved by Neely, seconded by Anguiano.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso
0 Nays: None
2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

12. Approval of Personnel Items as discussed in closed session

- A. Appointment of Certified Personnel
- B. Certified Resignations
- C. Certified Request for Leaves
- D. Certified Transfers
- E. Certified Retirees
- F. Termination of Employees
- G. Educational Support Personnel Transactions
- H. Volunteers/Student Teachers
- I. Salary Adjustments/Title Change
- J. Reduction in Force of Probationary Teachers
- K. Reduction in Force of Classified Staff
- L. Call-backs

The motion was moved by Gustello, seconded by Urso.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely*, Rivers, Urso
0 Nays: None
2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

* **Board Member Neely** voted "aye" for all, but voted "present" for the names removed from 12-L.

The motion was declared carried.

13. Approval of May Bills/Payroll

The motion was moved by Urso, seconded by Anguiano.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso
0 Nays: None
2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

14. Presenting Updated Board Policies for the First Reading: 4:150E

The motion was moved by Anguiano, seconded by Gustello.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso
0 Nays: None
2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

- 15. Approval of Updated Board Policies: 2:200, 2:250, 4:110, 4:150, 4:160, 5:10, 6:20, 6:50, 6:60, 6:185, 7:10, 7:20, 7:180, 8:70, biometric palm reader policy, and promotion policy, respectively**

The motion was moved by Gustello, seconded by Urso.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

4 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Rivers, Urso

0 Nays: None

1 Abstain: Neely

2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

- 16. Motion to Award Bids for Instructional Supplies, Based on Per Unit Prices, to the Vendors Provided as Presented**

The motion was moved by Neely, seconded by Urso.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso

0 Nays: None

2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

- 17. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing a Loan of \$700,000 from the Building Fund to the Education Fund**

The motion was moved by Rivers, seconded by Urso.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso

0 Nays: None

2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

- 18. Approval of PAEC Budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011**

The motion was moved by Urso, seconded by Anguiano.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso

0 Nays: None

2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

- 19. Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of Tax Anticipation Warrants, Not to Exceed \$4,000,000, for Educational Purposes**

The motion was moved by Urso, seconded by Neely.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso

0 Nays: None

2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

20. Approval of Revised 2010-2011 Calendar

The motion was made by Anguiano, seconded by Rivers, to approve the Revised 2010-2011 Calendar.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

5 Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso

0 Nays: None

2 Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.

21. Old Business - NONE

22. New Business - NONE

23. Motion for Adjournment

A motion was made by Rivers, seconded by Anguiano, that the Regular Meeting of the Board of Education be adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

When the question was called, the following vote resulted:

Ayes: Anguiano, Gustello, Neely, Rivers, Urso

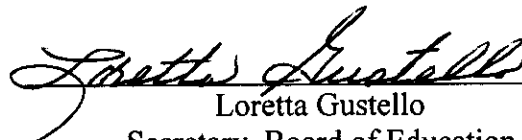
Nays: None

Absent: Diggs, Rivers Jr.

The motion was declared carried.



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School District 89